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RESPONSE TO 2 JUNE 2005 OFFICE ACTION

Dear Examiner Shibuya:

The Applicant hereby responds to the Notice to Comply with Sequence Rules of 30 June 2004 and submits the following documents:

- (1) Copy of 2 June 2005 Office Action Regarding Sequence Listing;
- (2) A Paper "Sequence Listing" and an identical "Sequence Listing" in computer readable, generated by the PatentIn 3.3 Software and check by Check 4.2.2; and a statement of identity of sequences.
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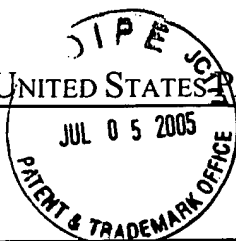
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BONAFIDE RESPONSE TO SEQUENCE RULES:

Applicant's 07/29/2004 response to the sequence letter was found to be deficient for failure to include sequence identifiers for Figure 1, Table 1, p. 57, 58, 60, and Table 5 of the instant specification. Due to the number of sequences involved, a substitute specification is required to ensure compliance.

Because the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD OF ONE (1) MONTH from the mailing date of this communication in order to avoid abandonment of the application under 37 CFR 1.821(g). EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR. 1.136(a).

General information regarding further correspondence.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Examiner Mark Shibuya, whose telephone number is (571) 272-0806.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Andrew J. Wang (Art Unit 1639), can be reached at (571) 272-0811.

Any inquiry of a general nature, or relating to the status of this application, should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (571) 272-1600.

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